$_{9}^{\mathrm{e}3}^{\mathrm{S}}$:] AND PAR TRENQPHE* SONNETS. 407

When PARTHENOPHE cam e hither, At the presence of that Nymph, (That hill was heaven! where I lay dreaming) But when I had espied her walking. And in hand her Rose and Lilies As sacrifice given by that garden;

(To Love, stood sacred that fair garden!) I dared the Nymphs to hasten hither. Make homage to the Rose and Lilies! Which are sacred to rny Nymph. Wonder, when you see her walking! (Might I see her, but in dreaming!)

Even the fancy of that Nymph Would make me, night and day, come hither, To sleep in this thrice happy garden.

SONNET CIV.

OLD! matchless Mirror of all Womankind!

These Pens and Sonnets, servants of thy praise!

Placed in a world of graces, which amaze

All young beholders, through Desire blind. Thou, to whom conquered CUPID hath resigned

His bow and darts, during thy sunny days!

Through thine eyes' force enfeebled by the rays

Which wonderers, to their cost, in thine eyes find! That there, with beauty's excellence unable,

To write, or bear, my pens, and books refuse;

Thine endless graces are so amiable! Passing the spirit of mine humble Muse.

So that the more I write, more graces rise!

Which mine astonished Muse cannot comprise.

FINIS.